

DoN IMPLEMENTATION OF DoD ACQUISITION POLICY
IN
SECNAV 5000.2B

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

DoD acquisition policy is embodied in DoD Directive 5000.1 and DoD Regulation 5000.2-R. These two documents provide the mandatory guiding principles and acquisition management requirements (statutory and policy) for DoD weapons and automated information systems acquisition programs. The DoD documents apply primarily to ACAT I programs, but where necessary for policy or statutory reasons, they also apply to ACAT II and III programs. The DoD mandatory requirements are supplemented by a body of discretionary information which will be contained in the electronic DoD Deskbook. This body of discretionary information will contain suggested formats, lessons learned, sage information, examples of successful acquisition approaches, tutorial information, and other useful acquisition information. The DoD Deskbook will also contain the mandatory policy documents, and the information contained in those documents will be electronically linked to the discretionary information in the Deskbook. The DoD Deskbook will also contain Navy mandatory acquisition policy and discretionary information.

The Navy document which implements the DoD mandatory acquisition requirements is the SECNAV 5000.2B which is currently in the final draft stage and replaces the existing SECNAV 5000.2A dated, 9 December 1992. The draft SECNAV 5000.2B follows the identical part and paragraph structure as the DoD 5000.2-R. Where no additional NAVY policy has been promulgated, the document directs the reader to the DoD document. The following are some significant NAVY acquisition policies contained in the draft SECNAV 5000.2B:

Continuation of the ACAT IV program designation even though DoD has dropped this category.

ACAT designation authorities and procedures. PEOs, SYSCOM Commanders, DRPMs, and NISMC will designate ACAT III and IV programs.

Program Managers may be delegated Milestone Decision Authority for ACAT IV programs.

Defines three types of efforts - Acquisition Category Programs (ACATs), Non-Acquisition Programs (ACTDs, R&D Studies), and Non-ACAT Programs (Less than Acquisition Plan threshold).

Mandatory information for “tailoring in” vs. “tailoring out.” Chart of mandatory milestone information provided.

Chart of mandatory requirements for program modifications provided.

In addition to the above significant elements, the draft SECNAV 5000.2B also combines OPNAV, Marine Corps, and Information Resources acquisition policy and procedures, including MNS, ORD, baseline, and T&E requirements into a single acquisition document along with weapon systems.

The combined, streamlined policies contained in the draft SECNAV 5000.2B are addressed in a total of 155 pages. This is in comparison to the total of 559 pages required by the original OPNAV, Marine Corps, and Information Resources policy documents.

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SECNAV INSTRUCTION 5000.2B

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